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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE REQUEST FOR FILING NEW UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.53(b)

(Docket No. 100.002.6)

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To: Mail Stop Patent Application Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a new utility patent application for:

Title: Method and Apparatus for Magnetic Resonance Imaging Using Contrast Agents

Inventors: Prince

This application is a **CONTINUATION APPLICATION** of:

Inventors: Prince

Ser. No.: 09/899,353 Art Unit: 3737

Filed: July 5, 2001 Examiner: Mercader

Title: Method and Apparatus for Magnetic Resonance Imaging Using Contrast Agents

- 1. To effect the above-requested filing, attached hereto is:
 - 1. Specification, Claims, and Abstract (106 pages)
 - 2. One (1) set of formal drawings having 9 sheets
 - 3. One (1) <u>executed</u> Declaration and Power of Attorney (2 pages)
 - 4. Check (\$770.00) (see below for fee calculation)

- 2. Incorporation by Reference: The entire disclosure of the prior application is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference, in total, therein.
- 3. A Power of Attorney to Neil Steinberg, Reg. No. 34,735 is attached. The current address of Neil Steinberg is as in item 4.
- 4. Kindly address all communications with respect to this application to:

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- 5. The Examiner's attention is directed to both the second paragraph of guideline (2) in MPEP 609 and to the last paragraph of MPEP 2001.06(b), and to the submission of the Information Disclosure Statement (including the documents attached thereto) in Application Serial Nos. 09/899,353, and any preceding parent applications thereof.
- 6. Attached is a PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT that, among other things, cancels claims 1-59. Claims 60-79 are pending. This Preliminary Amendment is to be entered **before** fee calculation, as set forth in item 8 below.
- 7. The fee to effect the above-referenced filing is calculated as follows:

Basic Fee	\$ <u>770.00</u>
Additional Fees:	
Surcharge - more than 20 total claims (0 additional)	\$ <u>-0-</u>
Surcharge - more than 3 independent claims (0 additional)	\$ <u>- 0 -</u>
Surcharge - multiple dependent claims	\$ <u>- 0 -</u>
Total Filing Fee	\$ 770.00

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 - [XX] A check payable to the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, in the amount of \$770.00 is enclosed as payment of the Total Filing Fee.
 - [] Please charge my Deposit Acc. No. <u>50-0763</u> in the amount of \$_____ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
 - [XX] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Acc. No. <u>50-0763</u>. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Date: March 25, 2004

Neil A. Steinberg Reg. No. 34,735

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that the attached: 1) Continuation Patent Application Transmittal for Filing under 37 CFR §1.53(b) (3 pages + 1 copy thereof), 2) Application (106 pages + 9 sheets of drawings), 3) Declaration and Power of Attorney (2 pages), 4) Preliminary Amendment (8 pages), and 5) Check (\$770.00) is/are being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" Service under 37 C.F.R. 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to the Mail Stop Patent Application, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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